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F R E E

VBT keeps water, sewer rates the same for 2022

By Rosemary K. Otzman
Independent Editor

Van Buren Township residents and businesses will not get a raise in their sewer or water rates in 2022.

At the Oct. 5 regular meeting of the township board by zoom, Supervisor Kevin McNamara said, "We scheduled a lot of work this year and couldn't do them so there will be no rate increase."

Dawn Lund of Utility Financial Solutions appeared by zoom and said she just got off a plane. She said she was hired to study the township's rates and check key targets to see if a rate adjustment is needed.

"The idea is to keep the rates as low as possible and keep the income as needed," she said, as she showed charts on the screen.

She said in 2028 the township will need to be prepared as the cash balance is dropping. She said currently the water and sewer department is operating at a loss, but has a robust plan and currently has a healthy cash balance.

"You have a robust water improvement program, but COVID has delayed or stalled it for one to one-and-a-half year.

"You can hold the rates steady until the capital improvement program gets on track," Lund said, recommending no water rate increase in 2022 and 5.9% per year in 2023 through 2030.

"Once the capital improvement program gets back on track, you can reinstate the rate increases," she said.

The sewer rates are the same as for water rates at 0% increase in 2022.

Lund said the capital improvements have somewhat stalled, but they can begin the rate adjustments for sewer in 2023 at 3.9% a year and it should be upgraded every year.

"We have a high confidence in your

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Independent photo by Bob Mytych

Belleville City Councilman Tom Fielder, who is also president of the Historical Society at the museum, holds a rake and explains the rules to children before they start the Nickle Dig on the lawn of the museum during Saturday's Harvest Fest in Belleville. They learned each special red nickle was worth a bag of prizes.

School Board OKs negotiations to buy house next door

By Rosemary K. Otzman
Independent Editor

After a closed-door session Monday, the Van Buren Public Schools Board of Education came back into open session and voted to authorize School Supt. Pete Kudlak to negotiate the purchase of 625 W. Huron River Dr., Van Buren Township.

The half-acre of property with a house built in 1952 has a back yard that immediately adjoins the school district's administration building.

On Tuesday, Supt. Kudlak said a woman had lived there for 60 years and raised her family and now she is elderly and living elsewhere. The owners of the property, who live in California, had been approached

by the school district years ago about purchasing the site and so they reached out to the school district when they were ready to sell.

According to the Van Buren Township website the property has assessed value of \$118,000.

Kudlak said the high school is landlocked and should have twice as much property around it as it has for a building that large. He said that before his time they had tried to build it on a larger piece of land, but the voters wanted it to stay where it is.

He said the high school property was expanded some when they bought land from St. Anthony Catholic Church.

"This is not for immediate use," Kudlak said. "We are looking to the future."

The board also went into closed-door session to discuss "security planning to address existing threats or prevent potential threats to the safety of the students and staff."

This was for information only and no

motion was made on this in public session.

In other business at Monday's two-hour regular meeting, the board:

- Approved accepting the bid of \$58,184.10 from Houghton Mifflin for the items and training needed to implement Read 180 at McBride Middle School for the 2021-22 school year. The project was presented in detail at the last school board meeting;

- Was advised of the requested purchase of a Ford F600 Regular Cab 4x4 XLT chassis 169" WB, 84" CA (dump truck chassis) for \$57,586 from Signature Ford in Owosso to replace the 1984 GMC truck that the district currently owns. Truck maintenance for the old vehicle is becoming expensive and emergency repairs come at inconvenient times, said James Williams, director of plant operations. He said this truck can be used as a "swap" where the dump box can be removed and an application for ice and snow removal added and a cube van

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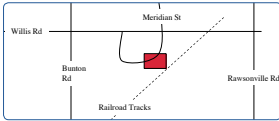
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A message to our readers School Board

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Hello. My name is Gerald (Jerry) McKelvey. Even though you may not recognize my name, it appears in the paper every week. My association with the *Belleville-Area Independent* goes back to the beginning. Not only am I an original investor in the paper but I also provided a spare room in my former Tax and Accounting office on Charles Street, where the paper first began operation. For the past 15 years or more I have had the honor and responsibility of being the Business Manager of the paper. As the Business Manager, it is my responsibility that we have sound operating policies, enabling us to remain a viable business entity.

The paper was founded by a small group of investors, local citizens who felt our community needed a voice in the tri-community area of Belleville, Van Buren and Sumpter. The *Independent* has been that voice for more than 27 years.

The task has not always been easy. We have faced severe economic down-turns and challenges from multiple start-up publications. Somehow, through the hard work of our small but dedicated staff, we have survived where others have failed. Our advertisers have been great, too. Many have stayed with us during hard times, much like we are currently facing, and we always appreciate their business. There is one other component to our success which I have observed. It is the dedicated support of you, the residents of communities we serve. I want to say "thank you" for your continued support. Without you we could not have made it this far. Your words of support and letters of appreciation are inspiring to all of us associated with the paper.

I am writing this message because as Business Manager I am concerned about the future of the *Independent* as a publication of local news. There are several reasons for my concern.

A. The last year and a half have been devastating from a business perspective. COVID has taken a toll on us financially and we have suffered sizable losses. We were able to obtain an initial PPP loan which helped, but we missed qualifying for a second PPP loan by \$1,205. Failure to obtain the second loan has put us in financial jeopardy. So much so, that when I inquired as to why our liabilities were increasing, I was reluctantly informed that Rosemary has been providing operating funds from her savings. This shortfall cannot continue.

B. The other investors agree with me that we have an obligation to the communities to continue publishing past the "Rosemary era." Rosemary is the heart and soul of the paper. The paper was her original concept and she is the editor and writer of the paper. However, we recognize that at some point in time she will retire or not be able to continue the way she has for so many years. If the paper is to continue, we need to find a way

to do so without Rosemary (who is fine and has no immediate plans to retire). That presents many problems for which we do not have immediate answers. We believe the first step is to find someone qualified to do the job of editor. Then, to bring that person on board and to learn from Rosemary and slowly assume her responsibilities. This step requires funds we do not have.

Before COVID hit, we had approved a rate hike for our advertisers but did not put it into effect due to the negative impact COVID had on the economy. We are reconsidering it now but are not certain economic conditions have improved enough to sustain an increase at this time. If we decide on a change, we will announce it and give the advertisers an opportunity to purchase a block of advertising at the current rate, if they wish, before imposing the increase. This transition would take several months to accomplish.

Due to mailing cost increases, we have approved an increase in our subscription rates. Again, we will give those having the paper mailed to them the opportunity to extend at the current rate, prior to adjusting the rate for new subscriptions.

We hope these adjustments, along with the continued improvement in the overall business environment will eventually put us back on an acceptable basis of regular operations. While these changes may help solve our immediate financial problems they will not provide the means for our long-term commitment to continue publication, post Rosemary.

That is where you, the members of the community, come in. We ask you to show your support today. I know this is an unusual request, but as a native of this community I honestly believe you will answer the call. If you want the *Belleville-Area Independent* to continue to bring you the local news as it has for more than 27 years, then I am asking you to make your best financial gift to support our effort. Individuals, groups, organizations, and businesses, can all make a cash gift to the *Belleville-Area Independent*. You can drop your contribution off at the office or mail it to 152 Main St., Suite 9, Belleville, MI 48111. All gifts will be gratefully welcomed, whether they be \$10, \$100, \$1,000 or \$10,000.* Support also can be provided through the purchase of advertising which will increase our current operating revenue.

Thank you for allowing us to serve you in this small way. Every act of generosity shown in support will be greatly appreciated and will help assure the continued publication of our paper.

Gerald McKelvey, Business Manager
Belleville-Area Independent

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attachment can be swapped in, as well. If it is purchased by Nov. 1, the district will get it in April or May. The vote on this will be at the Oct. 25 board meeting;

- Heard building presentations from Tyler Elementary School, Belleville High School, and Savage Elementary School;

- Heard a presentation of the District Improvement Plan by Becky Ross, director of federal and state grants;

- Approved the second reading and final approval of the board policy updates that were discussed in detail at the last meeting. The policies are available to study on the district website under the School Board heading;

- Approved the bid of Milestone Construction Company for the construction work on the VBPS Health Clinic for \$131,908, plus 10% contingency cost of \$13,000 for a total cost of \$144,908. Kudlak said the district is partnering with SET SEG (its insurance company) to build a health clinic for employees and their families, in two converted rooms at McBride Middle School, with a private entrance and new restroom. Kudlak said the clinic will end up saving the district money as services will not be billed to its insurance. Rates will decrease and claims will be reduced. Also, it can help as a retention tool as the clinic

Court Watching:

Willow Run Airport 'carjacker' bound over on 2 charges, 2 dropped

By Rosemary K. Otzman
Independent Editor

34th District Court Chief Judge Brian Oakley threw out two charges against a suspected "Willow Run Airport carjacker" after his live preliminary exam on Oct. 6 but bound him over to circuit court on a charge of fleeing and eluding police and assault on a police officer. His arraignment on the information at the Frank Murphy Hall of Justice was scheduled for Oct. 20.

The charges of carjacking and receiving and concealing a stolen vehicle were dismissed, but Judge Oakley said they could be refiled if the prosecutor can bring witnesses showing the driver didn't have permission to take the vehicle.

Christopher Lee Krusac, 31, of Taylor was present for his exam on the Van Buren Township charges stemming from an incident starting at Willow Run Airport on July 23.

First witness brought by Assistant Wayne County Prosecutor Alexander Kurrie was Wayne County Airport Police Cpl. Eric Johannsen, who said he responded to a

can be offered to part-time employees that do not qualify for health insurance, he said. He said prescriptions could be filled there, but no narcotics;

- Approved the resignation of Morgan Youngs, a teacher at Tyler Elementary, after five years of service as of Oct. 15 for a job opportunity; and the hiring of Katie Fryske and Nicolas Mynarcik as teachers at BHS as of Oct. 11;

- Approved the retirement of Patricia Jackson from the Transportation Department after six years of service as of Oct. 8; and approved the resignation of Miriha Campbell as a non-instruction staff member at Edgemont Elementary as of Sept. 30 after zero years of service for personal reasons;

- Approved the hiring of the following non-instructional staff members: Valencia Jones as a bus driver as of Sept. 23, Keayon Jones as a paraprofessional at Rawsonville Elementary as of Sept. 29; Tina Carter as a secretary at BHS as of Oct. 1; Lilia Lamas as a paraprofessional at Edgemont Elementary as of Oct. 4; Emily MacBlain as a bus aide as of Sept. 29, and Elizabeth Varner as a kitchen worker as of Oct. 7; and

- Heard many comments from BHS senior Kennedy Plummer, who was sitting on the board as the student member for this meeting. She gave many recommendations on how to have a better Spirit Week in future Homecoming celebrations.

dispatch report on someone breaking into a vehicle and subsequent theft.

He responded on I-94 from the fire station at Detroit Metro and tried to get there as soon as possible, he testified. He said he saw the vehicle that was described, a yellow Dodge Ram. He said the vehicle turned in front of two semi's and went into the Menards/Walmart parking lot on Belleville Road.

He said the vehicle drove into Verizon and then drove through Hardee's. The driver was attempting to exit the vehicle in the parking lot. Cpl. Johannsen said he left his vehicle and called out, "Police. Stop" and the driver got back inside, put the vehicle in reverse and hit him, bruising his arm and straining a back muscle.

"I was right behind the vehicle and he put it in reverse," he testified. "I drew my gun and we were face to face." He said the driver did a "J" turn and drove off. He said he put out on the radio that he was struck by the vehicle and "I was terminated." Under cross-examination he testified that

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OPINIONS

Editorial

School Board president thanks community

At the end of Monday's regular meeting of the Van Buren Public Schools Board of Education, board president Amy Pearce took a moment to commend people of the community for not causing an uproar in meetings and letting the board do its job.

Pearce said everyone has seen the news about what's happening in other school board meetings across the country, with "the uproar" and lack of coming together, with people "split on things."

She said at the local school board meetings the people may not agree on issues, but they have been respectful.

"I'm very fortunate to serve in a community like this where we can keep on doing our work instead of being overshadowed" with division, she said.

"I thank the community for letting us do our job," she concluded.

Pearce referred to other school boards that have been assailed by parents demanding critical race theory not be taught and masks not be mandated.

The VBPS had one small group of parents and students who protested the mask mandate and demonstrated once by the BHS sign on W. Columbia Ave. and once next to the BHS building entrance before a school board meeting. This was respectful on both sides.

But, if parents learn something is being taught that they oppose, you can be sure they will protest and might even raise their voices. Their children are at stake.

EXTRA THINGS I KNOW

Linda LeBlanc of Sumpter Township said she will be 75 years old this Thanksgiving Day, but that isn't keeping her from opening her Pumpkin Factory for the 45th year. She said people told her they missed it last year when it wasn't open because of COVID.

It's a Halloween family fun place at 48651 Harris Rd. in Sumpter and will be open through Halloween.

The railroad crossing on Martz Road east of Rawsonville was closed on Oct. 6 and was expected to be closed for about a week for repairs.

A reader called Thursday to question if the amount of money for the Belleville accounts payable was really \$2,149,125.82 as reported on page three of the Oct. 7 edition. I told him it could be tax collections for other entities, but I would double-check and I did.

Yes, that's what it was. The check register shows 2021 summer taxes collected and disbursed to the Van Buren Public Schools was \$709,000 and to the Wayne County Treasurer, \$855,000. That boosted the city's payouts by more than \$1.5 million, which kind of grabs one's attention.

We thank our readers for questioning the information we publish and asking us about it.

Sumpter Township announced it would be closed on Monday, Oct. 11, in observation of Columbus / Indigenous People's Day.

A reader gave us a clipping from *Craine's Detroit Business* about a new Fowling

...By Rosemary K. Otzman



Warehouse being established at 3050 Washtenaw Ave. in Ypsilanti, the site of a closed Farmer Jack grocery store. Fowling is a game that is part football and part bowling and the name rhymes with bowling. It needs a lot of space.

Our reader suggested the vacant Kmart in Van Buren Township would be good for a fowling location.

I was somewhat puzzled at how quickly a Dearborn Police undercover team was able to alert Van Buren Township Police to the location of what was believed to be a truck stolen from where it was parked at Willow Run Airport.

VBT Police chased it down I-94 after it backed into an airport police officer in a parking lot in the Walmart-Menards area. After VBT dropped off the pursuit, VBT police got a call from Dearborn about the vehicle's location.

Testimony at the preliminary exam at 34th District Court last week revealed it was a bright yellow, Dodge Ram 1500 Rumble Bee. You know those bright, yellow vehicles are noticeable for quite a distance.

When I heard the testimony, I thought that down, but my son Jim said he Googled it and it is "Rumble Bee" and that model was only made in 2004 and 2005. My other son Bill also investigated and he showed me the interior details of the vehicle, like the honey bee and honey comb embedded

in the gearshift head and other bees and honey combs throughout the interior. Quite impressive. Too bad it was damaged in the take-down.

The prosecutor failed to furnish evidence that the vehicle was stolen, so those two charges were dropped. It was just the fleeing and eluding police and assaulting a police officer charges that were left as the case got bound over to circuit court for trial.

The Harvest Fest organizers were told by Van Buren Township officials that they must not step on the museum property for the usual nickel dig, corn shelling, and other events for the annual Harvest Fest. But, after they got to Fourth Street Place to set up on Saturday morning, they learned that there had been a meeting in VBT on Thursday and it was determined they could use the grassy museum area after all. That nickel dig would have been hard to do on the cement, street area. The museum building, however, was kept locked up tight.

A reader said he wants to use goats to trim his VBT property but he doesn't have five acres needed to have animals, under the ordinance. He's been told the ordinance might be changed to allow rented animals temporarily.



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Letters

Not the time to throw history out the window

To the editor:

I worked as a volunteer for The Belleville Area Museum for many years. That wonderful historic building holds so many artifacts of our Tri-Community history!

They all were handled, cared for and decorated by a very intelligent lady who loves the museum, its contents and their history. I personally witnessed her compassion and love for her job and her delight in sharing all of it and the info and stories behind it, with all the museum visitors.

Her decorations, displays, events, calendars, and publications, were just a few examples of how she poured her heart and soul into her days at BAM. She even wrote and submitted grant applications, in hopes of obtaining funds to help develop BAM and the Historical Society. Then was awarded one to connect the museum to the old fire house we used for storage, events and where the archives live.

We would even have a beautiful glassed-in display area for Betsy, our precious Model T! So sad to hear of its possible closing and the layoff of its treasured director! In this day and age of rapidly losing family and community values we should be reaching back into our historical roots, the stronghold of our past, not tossing it out the window! Such a shame.

Claudia Roullier, 30-year resident
Belleville/Van Buren Township

Thank you to Ken Voigt for 'Goat T-shirt' money

To the editor:

A big thank you goes out to Ken Voigt for his "Goat T-shirt" fundraiser and to all the people who purchased shirts. The proceeds of the sale, \$800, were donated to the Emergency Food Closet housed at Belleville First United Methodist Church located at 417 Charles St.

Marilyn Wood - coordinator
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Parents need to get involved in education

To the editor:

As a great-grandparent, I find myself very much alarmed while learning of the political attempts to silence attendees' (parents') voices while at a school board meeting. Surely, this could not be the United States of America I have known and loved all these years!

Sadly, yes, it is happening -- as unbelievable as it is, all across our nation. Politics at its dirtiest-evil! Attempting to silence our voices at public school, Board of Education meetings! Stand up -- speak up -- WE, THE PEOPLE!

Whatever happened to our family involvement and genuine concern for our children's education? I vividly recall the early '50s when my own children attended early elementary at Elwell School. I was actively involved and initiated our PTA (Parent Teacher Association) and became further involved in campaigning for many school board members throughout the years.

Back then, parents exemplified genuine interest and involvement in their children's education. Sadly, today I am witnessing a corrosion of that same involvement. Why? What is more important than participating and insisting on excellent teaching so that our students will exceed to the best of their abilities? Most assuredly, this should be one of our top, God-given, parent-to-child priorities.

Still curious, I began to "Google" PTA -- its origin/originators, involvement, dates, etc. -- all the while wondering and knowing -- parents today desperately need help in countering the evil invasion and attempt to deny parents' rights with regard to public school education.

I would like to encourage all readers to "Google" PTA -- The Center for Family Engagement; to read completely and thus, become involved in your children's education.

Today's children and college students are being targeted and subjected to indoctrination and brain washing. Let us all, young and old, seek God's wisdom and intervention relating to our duty as parents to guide and protect our children-students.

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John Thomas Gibson

JOHN THOMAS GIBSON

(June 2, 1969 – October 10, 2021)

John Thomas Gibson, age 52, long-time Belleville resident, passed away Sunday, October 10, 2021, at his home, surrounded by family, after a short battle with lung cancer.

He was born June 2, 1969, in Dearborn, MI, son of Charlie Cecil & Mary Etta (Harrison) Gibson. He graduated from Waldron High School, class of 1987. He married his high school sweetheart, Melanie Lynn Cole on November 29, 1987. He worked with his parents for many years in their appliance repair business and then started his own. Gibson Mechanical in Belleville, nearly ten years ago. He specialized in mechanical contracting and heating & cooling. He was a hard worker who enjoyed his work and could fix nearly everything. He enjoyed reading about history, watching television, gaming and crossword puzzles. Most of all, John loved time spent with family, especially his granddaughters!

Mr. Gibson is survived by his wife of 33 years, Melanie Gibson of Belleville, MI; daughter Sasha (Kyle Opalach) Gibson and son Charles (Bailey) Gibson, two granddaughters Ripley Opalach and Eleanor Gibson, all of Livonia, MI; his mother Maryetta Gibson of Warren, MI; sister Patricia "Trish" Hamblen of Westland, MI; brother Charlie (Laura) Gibson, Jr. of Flat Rock, MI; brother-in-law Leslie Cole of Port Huron, MI; also numerous nieces, nephews, extended family and friends. John was preceded in death by his father Charlie Gibson, Sr. in 1994, sister Tamara "Tammy" Hagan, also his beloved German Shepherd Jammer.

Visitation will be 3-8 PM Thursday and 11-12 Noon Friday, October 15, 2021 with a Noon Celebration of Life Service at David C. Brown Funeral Home, 460 E. Huron River Dr., Belleville, MI 48111-2764 (734)697-4500.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Humane Society and would be appreciated.

www.davidcbrownfh.com

COVID-19 deaths in 48111 stay at 78, positive tests at 4,149

The number of people who have died from COVID-19 in the 48111 zip code remained at 78 as of Monday, Oct. 11, according to the Wayne County Health Department's last update of the count.

The positive tests for COVID-19 in 48111 totaled 4,149 on Monday, Oct. 11, up from 4,073 on Monday, Oct. 4.

On Monday, Oct. 11, the separate totals released by the Wayne County Health Department for the tri-community were: Van Buren Township, 2,783 positive cases, 43 deaths; City of Belleville, 536 positive cases, 21 deaths; and Sumpter Township 830 positive cases, 14 deaths.

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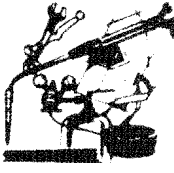
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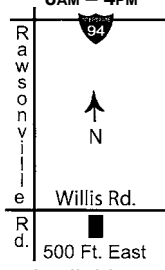
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Obituaries



Brenda Leeann Starkey
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BRENDA LEEANN STARKEY
 (June 11, 1963 – August 27, 2021)
 Brenda Leeann Starkey (Geno), 58, of Port Richey, FL, died August 27, 2021 in Port Richey, after a battle with COVID. She was the most devoted and loving and wonderful wife, mother, nana, daughter, sister, aunt, great-aunt, and friend. She is very loved and will always be remembered and already is greatly missed. She also was known as “Bubba.” Brenda was born into eternal life on August 27, 2021 and during her passing she was surrounded by her loving family. Brenda was born on June 11, 1963, the daughter of Roger Geno Sr. and Marlene Obeginski Geno. On April 3, 1987 she was married to William Earl Starkey. Brenda is survived by her husband and two children, Kody Starkey of Port Richey and Krystal (Tyler) Talley of Ocala, FL; two grandchildren, Jaxson Starkey and Theodore Talley; plus two young boys that were just like their own grandchildren, Shawn and Trever Harrison of Jackson, FL; and five siblings, Marlene (Mark) McNett, Roger (Pattie) Geno, Jr., Tino Geno, Peggy (Brian) Bradshaw, Tammy Geno (Keith Stout); Albert Obeginski, godfather and uncle; and nieces, nephews and cousins. Brenda had eternal love for her family and unconditional love for others. She especially loved her role as nana. Brenda was known for her awesome cooking and making the best dinners for everyone, plus her infectious laugh, beautiful smile, and kind and compassionate spirit. She was truly a peacemaker and always a source of positivity, with such a bubbly personality she had a heart of gold just like her mom and strength like her dad. She also had a green thumb and a beautiful garden she created and loved so much, that was her to-go place besides the ocean to watch the dolphins. Most of her garden came from starter plants made from pinches she would take from plants she liked or found. Brenda had a special love for her fur babies, who also adored her. Brenda was one of a kind and she will be deeply missed and forever in our hearts. A Rosary Intentions Mass will take place Friday, October 22, at 7:45 a.m. at St. Anthony Catholic Church, 409 W. Columbia in Belleville. Celebration of Life is from 12:30 to 3 p.m., October 24 Victoria Station, 6 Main St., at Victory Park at Five Points in Belleville.

GERALD LEE CHRISTENSEN
 (March 22, 1954 - October 5, 2021)
 Age 67, of Warren, formerly of Belleville, BHS Class of 1972. Served in U.S. Marines. Survived by companion Patricia, daughter Lisa, son Jeremy, grandchildren, brother and sisters. David C. Brown Funeral Home.



Fred Priebe

FRED PRIEBE
 (September 4, 1947 – October 3, 2021)
 Fred Arnold Priebe, age 74, was born September 4, 1947 in Antigo, Wisconsin, the son of Loraine and Arnold Priebe who predeceased him. He died October 3, 2021 at his daughter's home in Sumpter Township of pancreatic cancer. He had lived in Van Buren Township since 1991. He graduated from Stout University in Wisconsin, earning his teaching degree. He was a teacher for 30 years, retiring from Wayne Westland Community Schools. He was known for portraying Abraham Lincoln at Civil War reenactments, schools, and museums around the Midwest, working at Greenfield Village for many years. He retired from the village after 30 years. He loved talking with the visitors and sharing his knowledge and history. He is survived by son Paul (Julie) Priebe of Texas and daughter Katie (Joe) O'Kelley of Sumpter Township; five grandchildren, Ben O'Kelley, Colin O'Kelley, Joanna Priebe, Jessa Priebe, and Jenna Priebe; four siblings, John (Gail) Priebe, Jim (Jane) Priebe, Shirley (Frank) Sleeter, and Millie (Terry) Janisch. His first wife Bonita Mabel Priebe, who he married June 14, 1970, preceded him in death on January 11, 2019. In August 2019 he married Virginia Anderson of Wisconsin and she survives.



William 'Bill' Brice

WILLIAM 'BILL' BRICE
 (October 28, 1953 – October 1, 2021)
 With sadness, love and profound gratitude the family of Bill Brice announces his passing on October 1, 2021 after a long-fought battle with Parkinson's. Bill grew up in Belleville, MI and was a long-time employee of General Motors. He had a great passion for Michigan football and enjoyed motorcycles and cars. Bill is survived by his wife Pam; children Leila Brice, Will Brice, and Meaghan Kane; three grandsons Logan, Lennon, and Roman; also several siblings and many nieces and nephews. He is preceded in death by his parents Robert and Doris Brice and brothers Brad Brice and Brett Brice. Bill's free spirit and boisterous laugh will be greatly missed by all who knew him. Please remember Bill with a “Go Blue” on game day. Friends are welcome to join the family for a Celebration of Life, Sunday, October 17, from 12 to 3 p.m. at Belleville High School (main entrance, flagpole). Anyone who wishes to make financial donations please do so in Bill's honor directly to the charity of your choice.

Obituaries



Merijane Louise Rowland

MERIJANE LOUISE ROWLAND

August 25, 1946 - October 5, 2021

Merijane Louise Rowland, age 75, of Pinckney, MI, formerly of Willis, MI, passed away Tuesday, October 5, 2021, at WellBridge of Pinckney, MI. She was born August 25, 1946, in Wyandotte, MI, daughter of Calvin Wesley & Margaret Mannie (Repp) Rowland. Merijane was confirmed at St. Stephen Evangelist Lutheran Church in Detroit, MI on May 24, 1970. She was most currently attending Faith Lutheran Church. She enjoyed gardening, flowers, crocheting and needlework. She was also a great cook.

Merijane is survived by four sons: Charles Patterson of Ann Arbor, MI, David A. (Leah) Patterson of Brighton, MI, Michael Vedder of Willis, MI, and Daniel E. (Sandra Abercrombie) Vedder of Willis, MI; several grandchildren; brother Brian Rowland of Tennessee; also numerous extended family, and friends. She was preceded in death by her parents and sister Kathryn (Rowland) Samson.

A Private burial service will be held at Union-Udell Cemetery, Ypsilanti Township, MI. Arrangements by David C. Brown Funeral Home, Belleville, MI.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to Milan Seniors for Healthy Living and would be appreciated.

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Jeanette A. Parraghi

JEANETTE A. PARRAGHI

(March 21, 1931 - September 17, 2021)

Jeanette A. Parraghi, age 90, of Belleville passed away September 17, 2021, surrounded by family. Beloved wife of the late Elmer Parraghi. Loving mother of Bill (Sue) Parraghi, Deb (Gary Brudna) Parraghi, Clay Parraghi, and Mark (Marilyn) Parraghi. Dearest grandmother of John, Melissa, Darin, Ralph, Rodney, Alex, Nick, Tamara, and Chelsea and great-grandmother of many. She is preceded in death by her son Larry Parraghi, her granddaughter Jeanette Parraghi, her grandson Larry Parraghi, her parents Hubert and Alice Bacon, two brothers, and her beloved furbaby Midget.

ROBERTA LYNNE WINTERS

(July 3, 1950 - October 6, 2021)

Age 71, of Ypsilanti, formerly of Belleville. Her cremated remains will be laid to rest in the memory garden at First United Methodist Church, Belleville. Arrangements by David C. Brown Funeral Home, Belleville.



James Madison Kirkland

JAMES MADISON KIRKLAND

(August 2, 1936 - August 1, 2020)

James Madison Kirkland, age 83, of Belleville, Michigan passed away peacefully at his home surrounded by family, on Saturday August 1, 2020.

James was born on August 1, 1936 in Tennessee, the eldest son of Buster and Joy (Moss) Kirkland. The family eventually relocated to Detroit.

James was a gifted musician from a very early age and in the 1950s was active in the Detroit music scene as a lead guitarist/vocalist, where he met his wife Cecelia Ann (Boron), also a lead vocalist.

James was a retiree of General Motors, an avid reader and musician. He also loved to fish and spend time with his family.

James was preceded in death by his parents and his wife. He is survived by his 4 children Laurel Kirkland, Clinton (Paula) Kirkland, Alan (Chola) Kirkland and Leslie (Daniel) Hoffman; grandson James (Megan) Kirkland; his brother Stephen (Ann) Kirkland and sister Glenda (Frank) Pavia; also numerous nieces, nephews, extended family and friends and his trusty cat, Bob.

A memorial will be held for James at a future date and location to be determined.



Sandra (Sandy) Lewis

SANDRA (SANDY) LEWIS

(June 28, 1952 - October 2, 2021)

Sandra L. Lewis, 69, of Quincey, IL, died October 2, 2021 in Quincey. She lived and worked in Belleville, MI, for years, employed at Andrew's Pharmacy.

She was born June 28, 1952 in Detroit, MI, the daughter of Joyce Jenkins.

Sandy was a proud homemaker and cherished the time spent with her family, especially the grandchildren.

Sandy is survived by two children, Jimmy Lewis of Quincey, IL, and Kristi Prince of Lebanon, TN; a grandson Jimmy Lewis, Jr. of Quincey, IL; two granddaughters, Tiffany Conry (TJ) of Lebanon, TN and Amber Lewis of Belleville, MI; three great-grandchildren, Gaige, Skye, and Kylie; three sisters, Sharon Stollings (Roger), Betty Gooch, and Catherine Gooch.

Sandy was preceded in death by her mother, one sister Mary Johannah, and one brother Max "Mickey" Gooch.

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To the editor:

Just wanted to say a quick thank you to the library and volunteers who worked the Belleville Harvest fest this past Saturday, Oct. 9.

My 2.5 year old has been obsessed with firetrucks, but never seen one up close. Thanks to the wonderful volunteers at the Harvest Fest, he was able to do so, and even meet a firefighter!

Thank you, Belleville, for hosting such a fun event. We look forward to attending many more.

Shari Strauss

Egypt Covington murder case has final conference on Nov. 17

By Rosemary K. Oztman
Independent Editor

The Wayne County Circuit Court case for three men accused in the 2017 shooting death of Egypt Covington now has its final conference set for Nov. 17 before Judge Wanda A. Evans.

The final conference had been delayed until Oct. 6 but was adjourned again by the court until Nov. 17.

The accused perpetrators have been in the Wayne County Jail since their arrests in late 2020 and the case against them is moving forward slowly at the Frank Murphy Hall of Justice in Detroit.

Being held are Timothy Eugene Moore, 35, of Toledo; Shandon R Groom, 28, of Toledo; and Shane Lamar Evans, 32, of Sumpter Township.

Moore and Groom are charged with first-degree murder, felony murder, home invasion first-degree, and three charges of felony firearm in the June 22, 2017 shooting death of Jacqueline Elizabeth "Egypt" Covington, 27, in the Van Buren Township duplex where she lived on Hull Road.

Moore is also charged with another felony firearm charge and possession of a firearm by a felon.

Evans is charged with felony murder and home invasion first-degree.

All would face life in prison if convicted of the charges.

Egypt was a 2007 graduate of Belleville High School and a popular local singer. She was employed as an account manager for beer and wine distributor Rave and had worked at Johnny's and Bayou Grill in Belleville.

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Independent photos by Rosemary K. Oztman
Coldwell Banker sponsored a highly successful pet adoption event for Friends of Michigan Animal Rescue during Saturday's Harvest Fest on Fourth Street Place. From left are Coldwell agent Rachel Morgan, and co-managers James Morgan and Jessica Jones.



Members of the Belleville Central Business Community, which co-sponsored Saturday's Harvest Fest in Belleville, pose for a picture with the old-time corn sheller that was demonstrated at the event, with eager children turning the crank. From left are CBC event coordinator Janet Millard, CBC president Bill Wolters, and CBC treasurer Bob Stoner.

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numbers," Supervisor McNamara said to Lund.

James Taylor said there were some very expensive projects the township was not able to initiate or complete and the money is still in the coffers. He said they didn't feel an increase now was appropriate.

Taylor, retired director of the water and sewer department, now is operating as a consultant for the township.

"We couldn't get permits to move forward and we were ready to move forward," Supervisor McNamara said.

"Others have problems getting employees and sometimes we're going to run into these hiccups," Taylor said.

In other business at the 43-minute meeting, the board:

- Approved the 2022 proposed water and sewer rates, which are the same as 2021, and the Water & Sewer fee schedule;

- Approved a Commercial Fireworks Display permit for the Michigan Fireworks Club for the fireworks after the Chamber of Commerce Winterfest Parade on Dec. 4. The fireworks will be from the Denton

Road bridge, which will be closed for the event;

- Approved awarding a contract to D&D Water & Sewer, Inc., in the amount of \$220,577 with a 10% contingency amount for the Denton Road Water Main Replacement Project. The project was advertised and six bids were received and D&D was the low bidder, \$72,241.80 lower than the next bid of \$299,818.70. Taylor said the line runs across Michigan Avenue and is really bad shape. "We had to shut it down and needed to put in a fully functional water main," Taylor said;

- Approved a contract not to exceed \$53,400 with Fishbeck, Inc. for engineering services for the Denton Road Water Main Replacement Project;

- Heard McNamara say that the museum currently is closed and it will open again, following "the system we do for everything to get public comment";

- Heard Trustee Donald Boynton say the plant came that day from the township in honor of the loss of his mother-in-law, and his wife "can't take the smile off her face";

- Heard Recreation Director Jennifer Zaenglein remind everyone of the costume drive that allows donated Halloween costumes to be selected and picked up by

children from 4 to 6 p.m. Oct. 18-22 in the senior dining hall. This is leading up to the Candy Loop from 4 to 6 p.m. Oct. 23 at Quirk Park. Rain date is Oct. 30. Register on the website;

- Was advised by Deputy Supervisor Dan Selman that Alyssa Albrecht of the communications department is leaving for a new job after two years of service. He said she had a wealth of knowledge and positive energy and she will be missed;

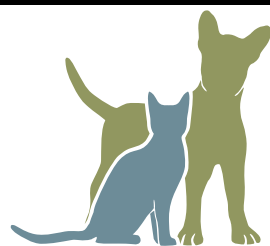
- Heard McNamara say Jim Taylor is leaving, as well, and actually has left, but he is still consulting for the township. McNamara held up a plaque that was made for Taylor and had just arrived. McNamara said the township has one of the lowest water rates in the county. Taylor thanked the board for the opportunity to serve for 10 years and thanked them for the professional courtesy shown to him; and

- Heard Clerk Leon Wright say October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month. He invited people to come in and sign a ribbon for the program.

Closed-door session

On Oct. 4, the township board met at 5 p.m. via zoom to go into closed session to discuss the strategy and negotiation of the Police Officers Labor Council collective bargaining agreement and to consider the contents of an attorney-client communication. The board reconvened at 6:34 p.m. and adjourned without taking any action.

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The Belleville Area Chamber of Commerce helped Van Buren Township open its "saddle" section of the Iron Belle Trail that goes through Van Buren Park. A ribbon-cutting ceremony was held at noon on Oct. 6. This portion of the trail will help link the hiking/biking pathway from Washtenaw County on the west and the City of Belleville on the east. Eventually the VBT part of the trail is planned to come out of Belleville on E. Huron River Drive and Edgemont and head eastward to the Lower Huron Metropark. Park construction is set to bring the existing trail in the park out to the bridge on E. Huron River Drive to link up with the VBT portion. The Iron Belle Trail runs from Belle Isle to Ironwood in the far west end of the upper peninsula.



Pausing for a picture at the Oct. 7 Flea Market at the Van Buren Township Senior Center are, from left, Pat McBride, Senior Director Lynette Jordan, Phyllis Queener, Jennifer Orban, Joan Shellato and customer Dolly Redd.

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More Letters

Democrats announce special speaker Oct. 28

To the editor:

The Southwestern Wayne [County] Democratic Club is pleased to announce dynamic local attorney Robyn McCoy as the featured guest speaker at our Oct. 28 membership meeting (7 p.m. - Wayne County Fairgrounds' dining hall) to enlighten us on the "Clean Slate for Michigan" legislation that expands eligibility to petition for expungement in several ways and creates a new process that automatically seals certain non-violent conviction records if a person has remained conviction-free for a period of time.

Ms. McCoy has been a licensed practicing attorney for 19 years, specializing in criminal defense, family law, educational advocacy and estate planning and presently a partner with the firm McCoy & Associates, PLLC in Ann Arbor, MI and president of the Black Women Lawyers Association of Michigan. In addition to practicing law, Ms. McCoy has planned, facilitated and organized numerous presentations on "What to Do When Stopped by the Police," "Knowing Your Rights When Encountering the Police, Immigration or You Are the Victim of Ethnic Intimidation," the "Expungement and Federal Pardon Process," and "How to Successfully Navigate the Public Education System." Ms. McCoy has been a part-time lecturer at Eastern Michigan University teaching a class on Law and the African American Experience.

Mark your calendar and join us Thursday, Oct. 28 at 7 p.m. in the Wayne County Fairgrounds' dining hall, 10871 Quirk Rd., Van Buren Township, for an informative, educational presentation and discussion on "Clean Slate for Michigan" with the very dynamic Robyn McCoy. (Social distancing practiced, masks suggested but required for attendees not yet fully vaccinated.)

Debbie Chamberlain
Correspondence Secretary
Southwestern Wayne [County]
Democratic Club

Court Watching:

Timothy Ryan Frye charged with 10 felonies

Timothy Ryan Frye, 37, of the City of Belleville, is charged with 10 felony counts brought by Western Wayne Narcotics on April 14 in the City of Belleville.

He is charged with three counts of controlled substance-second or subsequent offense notice - double penalty; carrying a concealed weapon, possession of firearms by a felon, possession of ammunition by a felon, and four counts of felony firearm.

Frye was arraigned by Judge Oakley on Oct. 6 and his preliminary exam is set for Oct. 25. He has a personal bond of \$5,000 with a GPS tether for location only.

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Avni Patel crowned Homecoming Queen, Spencer Rimando, King

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School Supt. Pete Kudlak said the timing was perfect, with the rain drops just starting to fall as the crowns were lowered onto their heads.

BHS at-home games

• **Thursday, Oct. 14:** Freshman football vs Franklin HS, 4:30 p.m.; JV football vs Franklin HS, 6 p.m.

Diane Kiessel
 Belleville High School Athletic Secretary

Upcoming Meetings

• Thursday, Oct. 14 – Keystone Academy School Board, 6 p.m. Also, Belleville Planning Commission, 7 p.m.

• Monday, Oct. 18 – Van Buren Township work/study session at 4 p.m. Also, Belleville City Council, 7:30 p.m.

• Tuesday, Oct. 19 – Van Buren Township regular meeting at 6 p.m.

• Wednesday, Oct. 20 – Belleville Downtown Development Authority, 5:30 p.m. Also, Van Buren Township Environmental Commission, 7 p.m.

• Monday, Oct. 25 – Van Buren Public Schools Board of Education, 7 p.m.

• Tuesday, Oct. 26 – Van Buren Township Downtown Development Authority, 5:30 p.m. Also, Sumpter Township workshop and regular meeting at 6 p.m.

• Wednesday, Oct. 27 – Van Buren Township Planning Commission, 7:30 p.m.

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Court Watching

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the Hardee's parking lot was full in front of the driver, but empty behind. [Editor's Note: He may have been referring to Tim Horton's parking lot.]

Second witness was Van Buren Township police officer Seth Evans, who said he has been with the department for two years. He said on July 23 he was in a patrol car on Denton Road and dispatch said there was a potential vehicle theft in process at Willow Run Airport. He said he was a mile away and had been traveling east on Tyler, east of Beck.

He said there was a 25-minute pursuit of the Dodge Ram Rumblebee which was yellow with a black stripe. He said the pursuit initially terminated on I-94 near Oakwood, but undercover units in Dearborn identified the vehicle at Outer Drive near Dix. He said he was with Officer McCarthy. They chased the vehicle for a quarter mile and then he did a low-speed ram of the vehicle to disable it. He said several other patrol units helped take the suspect into custody.

Under cross-examination, it was revealed VBT dispatch sent out the information that the owner of the vehicle actually was in Texas.

When Prosecutor Kurrie moved to bind Krusac over to circuit court on the charges, defense attorney Cheryl Quick objected, saying nobody was in the truck where it was parked at the airport so it couldn't be a "carjacking" and there has been no evidence to show that Krusac didn't have had permission from the owner to drive the vehicle. Judge Oakley agreed.

At the probable cause conference, Quick had asked Judge Tina Brooks Green to reduce his bond and just have him wear a tether. She said he has lived in Taylor for eight years and attended Belleville High School. He worked at a car lot in Westland prior to COVID, she said, adding he has some history, but he completed his

probations.

Assistant Wayne County Prosecutor Elisabeth Moore said the bond stated now that the tether will be used only if he could post \$5,000 of the \$50,000/10% bond set. She said because of the nature of the charges and his felony convictions she thought the bond was fair.

On Sept. 1, Judge Oakley set Krusac's live preliminary exam for Oct. 6. Judge Oakley also reduced the bond to \$50,000 personal with a tether and house arrest.

Quick had explained that her client has a hole in his heart and had heart surgery. With COVID it is dangerous for him to be in jail, she said.

After the bind over on Oct. 6, Krusac told Judge Oakley that he works with a handyman so the judge gave him tether work hours of 7 a.m. to 6 p.m.



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Board of Trustees Notice of Public Hearing

The Charter Township will hold a Public Hearing on Tuesday October 19, 2021 during its regularly scheduled Board of Trustees meeting at 6:00 p.m. via Zoom Webinar ID: 841 1825 9750 (<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/84118259750>) to receive public comment on:

- The 2021 Amended and 2022 Proposed General Fund Budget
- The 2021 Amended and 2022 Proposed Water/Sewer Fund Budget
- The 2021 Amended and 2022 Proposed Special Revenue Funds Budgets
 1. Downtown Development Authority (DDA)
 2. Local Development Finance Authority (LDFA) Fund
 3. Landfill Fund
 4. Belleville Area Museum
 5. E-9-1-1 Service Fund
 6. Federal Forfeiture Fund
 7. State Forfeiture Fund
 8. Long Term Debt Fund
 9. Capital Improvement Fund

The property tax millage rate proposed to be levied to support the proposed budget will be a subject of this hearing

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Belleville Church of God at 45170 Hull Road behind the Van Buren Fire Hall is

having a Fall Craft & Vendor Show on Saturday, Oct. 23, from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m. Admission is free.

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and Wednesday through Friday, from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. See their business card ad in today's paper and call (734) 606-5500. Huron River Drive is getting a complete concrete reconstruction with new sewers from the traffic light intersection to Huron Dental and St. Stephen Church to the north. With one lane open, the southbound lane of HRD has already started. The detours getting around the area is very easy and there's no issues coming into town from over the bridge. The project is expected to be completed by the end of November.

The Belleville Tigers football team improved to 6-1 with a 47-14 homecoming victory over Westland John Glenn on Oct. 8. This week the Tigers travel to Livonia Franklin on Friday, Oct. 15, at 7 p.m. for their final regular season game. Go Tigers!

If you ever wanted to experience what it was like to rivet like Rosie, the folks at the Yankee Air Museum will let you try your hand at being a real-life Rosie the Riveter as participants will learn how to rivet sheet metal using hand-powered hand-rivets and instructed by the museum's very own tribute Rosies. The event will take place on Saturday, Oct. 23 with two sessions: 11 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. at the museum at Willow Run Airport. The cost is \$35 per person and is limited to eight people per session. Guests 15 years and younger must be accompanied by an adult. Tickets are available at www.yankeearmuseum.org and by calling (734) 483-4030.

River of Life Church at 16650 Sumpter Rd. will be holding its 16th-Annual Harvest Festival on Saturday, Oct. 23, from 4 to 7 p.m. The event is free with activities such

as a petting zoo, pony rides, bounce house, face painting, games, and a candy give away. See their ad in today's paper.

Things to do in the Belleville area...

• **Friday, Oct. 15, through Sunday, Oct. 17** – Kyle Butt will be guest speaker at an "Answering Atheism" series of presentations at Ridge Road Church of Christ, 1770 Ridge Rd., Ypsilanti. On Friday at 6 p.m. it will be "Is God Scientific?" and at 7 p.m., "Fruits of Atheism"; on Saturday at 6 p.m., "God and Slavery," and 7 p.m., "The Biblical View of Women"; and on Sunday at 10 a.m., "God and the Death of the Innocent" and at 11 a.m., "A Loving God and an Eternal Hell." Information: (734) 485-2930.

• **Saturday, Oct. 16** – Craft Show put on by the Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary 4422 in Taylor will run from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. It is being held at VFW Post 4422 on Pine Street in Taylor, two blocks south of Goddard. For information, call Sandy Medos of Willis at (734) 461-9502.

• **Saturday, Oct. 23** – Monster Mutt Walk from noon to 2 p.m. in Fourth Street Place, put on by the Belleville Central Business Community.

• **Saturday, Oct. 23** – Belleville Community Chorus presents a Booville Event: A Costumed "Cake" Walk, 3-6 p.m., Fourth Street Square Tent, downtown Belleville.

• **Saturday, Oct. 23** – Van Buren Township's Candy Loop is back from 4 to 6 p.m. at Quirk Park. Wear your costume and stope at different Halloween-themed stations providing treats from local businesses and organizations. Free and open to the public, but register for specific timeslots at vanburen-mi.org/parks. Rain date is Oct. 30.

Charter Township of Van Buren Public Notice

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF VAN BUREN BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES OCTOBER 5, 2021 ELECTRONICALLY VIA ZOOM

Supervisor McNamara called the meeting to order electronically via Zoom meeting ID: 886 8201 1368 at 6:00 p.m. Present: Supervisor McNamara, Treasurer Budd, Clerk Wright, Trustee Frazier, Trustee Martin and Trustee Miller. Delayed Arrival (6:05 p.m.): Trustee Boynton. Others participating, facilitating and monitoring the meeting: Secretary Montgomery, Representative from Utilities Financial Solutions, Water and Sewer Consultant Taylor, Recreation Director Jennifer Zaenglein, Communication Specialists Nichols and Albrecht, Communications Intern VanSlyke and a maximum audience of fourteen (14).

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY OF THE AGENDA: Supervisor McNamara outlined the items appearing on the agenda.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA: Budd moved; Frazier seconded to approve the agenda. Roll Call Vote. Yeas: McNamara, Budd, Wright, Frazier, Martin and Miller. Absent/Excused: Boynton. Motion Carried.

Trustee Boynton joined the meeting at 6:05 p.m. **ADOPTION OF CONSENT AGENDA:** Martin moved, Budd seconded to approve the Consent Agenda: Board Meeting Minutes of September 21, 2021; Prepaid List of September 23, 2021; Prepaid List of September 30, 2021; Voucher List of October 5, 2021; Approval of the Commercial Fireworks Display Permit Application by Michigan Fireworks Club. Roll Call Vote. Yeas: McNamara, Budd, Wright, Boynton, Frazier, Martin and Miller. Motion Carried.

PUBLIC HEARING: None.

C O R R E S P O N D E N C E / ANNOUNCEMENTS/PRESENTATIONS:

Presentation of the 2022 proposed Water and Sewer rates; acknowledged the retirement, and contributions to the Township throughout his ten years of service, of former Water and Sewer Director James Taylor; acknowledged the departure of Communications Specialist Alysha Albrecht for her contributions during her two years of service and wished her well in her new position outside the Township, announced the Parks and Recreation Department is hosting a "Costume Drive and Costume Give-Away". Residents are encouraged to donate gently used costumes Monday-Friday 7:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m. from now through October 15. Residents interested in "shopping" for a free costume

may do so October 18th-22nd from 4:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m. in the Senior Dining Hall, or while supplies last; the Candy Loop will take place at the Quirk Park Pavilion behind Township Hall on October 23, 2021 from 4-6 p.m. (Rain Date October 30, 2021). This is a free event but we ask that you register on the website at www.vanburen-mi.org; The September Days Senior Center will host a Flea Market on Thursday October 7, 2022 from 9 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.; Learn the benefits of practicing Gratitude and Positive Thinking beginning October 13, 10:30 a.m. Sign up at the Senior Center, October is Breast Cancer awareness month. Please encourage all the women in your life and our community to schedule their mammogram-early detection is essential in beating this disease; Stop by Township Hall during the month of October to sign a ribbon showing your support.

PUBLIC COMMENT (Unfinished and New Business): None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS:

Miller moved; Frazier seconded to approve Resolution 2021-21 the 2022 Water and Sewer Rates and Fee Schedule. Roll Call Vote. Yeas: McNamara, Budd, Wright, Boynton, Frazier, Martin and Miller. Motion Carried.

Budd moved; Martin seconded to approve the recommendation to award a contract to D&D Water & Sewer, Inc., in the amount of \$220,577.00 with a 10% contingency amount for the Denton Road Water Main Replacement Project. Roll Call Vote. Yeas: McNamara, Budd, Wright, Boynton, Frazier, Martin and Miller. Motion Carried.

Miller moved; Wright seconded to approve Fishbeck Inc. to perform Project Engineering Services for the Denton Road Water Main Replacement Project in an amount not to exceed \$53,400.00. Roll Call Vote. Yeas: McNamara, Budd, Wright, Boynton, Frazier, Martin and Miller. Motion Carried.

REPORTS: None.

PUBLIC COMMENT NON-AGENDA ITEMS: None.

BOARD COMMENT NON-AGENDA ITEMS: Announced the Museum is closed until further notice and Trustee Boynton thanked the Board for the flowers sent to him and his wife for the loss of his mother in law.

ADJOURNMENT: Boynton moved; Wright seconded to adjourn at 6:46 p.m. Motion Carried.

Leon Wright, Township Clerk
Kevin McNamara, Supervisor
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Van Buren Township Police Dispatch Log

There were 234 dispatch calls reported by Van Buren Township police last week including the following.

Sunday, Oct. 3:

1059 – indecent exposure, Rawsonville Rd.
1203 – assist other dept., E. Main St.
1258 – assist other dept., Harmony Ln.
1315 – personal injury accident, Rawsonville Rd. / S. I-94 Service Dr.
1619 – larceny from auto, Oak Ln.
1908 – animal complaint, Jeremy Rd.
1908 – assault & battery, Holly Ln.
1938 – suspicious person/vehicle, S. Woodbury
2004 – 911 welfare check, Pond Ridge Dr.
2048 – trespassing, S. I-94 Service Dr.

Monday, Oct. 4:

0023 – noise complaint, Lake Villa Dr.
0025 – suspicious activity report, Lighthouse Dr.
0102 – property check, Belleville Rd.
0811 – property damage accident, Belleville Rd.
0814 – suspicious person/vehicle, Bemis Rd. / Rawsonville Rd.
0837 – animal complaint, Haggerty Rd.
1014 – unauthorized driving away of auto, Denton
1037 – private property/property damage accident, Coca-Cola Dr.
1313 – private property impound, Parkwood Dr.
1316 – assist citizen, Van Born/Hannan Rd.
1429 – fraud, Fairfield Dr.
1447 – animal complaint, Tyler Rd.
1535 – unauthorized driving away of auto, N. I-94 Service Dr.
1541 – suspicious person/vehicle, N. Ponderosa
1615 – larceny, Wildbrook
1649 – motorist assist, EB I-94/Belleville Rd.
1719 – 911 welfare check, Oak Ln.
1901 – suicidal person, Christina Ln.
2144 – suspicious person/vehicle, Belleville Rd.
2306 – threat, E. Archwood Dr.

Tuesday, Oct. 5:

0355 – suspicious person/vehicle, N. Ponderosa
0534 – malicious destruction of property, Parkwood Dr.
0740 – harassment call, Lake Pointe Blvd.
0848 – harassment call, Bradley Dr.
0911 – larceny from auto, Wildflower Ct.
1002 – 911 welfare check, S. I-94 Service Dr.
1037 – assist other dept., W. Columbia Ave.
1313 – property damage accident, Belleville Rd.
1423 – suicidal person, Spruce Ln.
1543 – threat, Denton Rd.

1557 – leaving the scene of a property damage accident, Haggerty Rd.

1724 – suspicious person/vehicle, Bog Rd.
1738 – malicious destruction of property, Bradley
1832 – threat, N. I-94 Service Dr.
1928 – sexual assault, Spruce Ln.
2112 – animal complaint, S. I-94 Service/Ryznar
2114 – assist other dept., Belleville Rd.
2152 – suspicious person/vehicle, Sawgrass Ct.

Wednesday, Oct. 6:

0335 – malicious destruction of property, Belleville Rd.
0556 – animal complaint, Oak Ln.
0656 – property damage accident, Ecorse Rd.
0727 – juvenile complaint, Martinsville Rd.
0753 – disorderly, Haggerty Rd./N. I-94 Service
0754 – suspicious person/vehicle, Lighthouse Dr.
0851 – private property/property damage accident, Parkwood Dr.
1055 – road hazard, N. I-94 Service Dr./Belleville
1132 – private property impound, N. Ponderosa Trl
1210 – assist citizen, Belle Pointe Dr.
1233 – assist other dept., Belleville Rd.
1336 – domestic, Denton Rd.
1457 – assist other dept., Village Green Ln.
1504 – domestic, Lake Pointe Blvd.
1615 – property check, Harbour Club
1654 – threat, Lighthouse Dr.
1914 – domestic, Hamilton St.
2006 – animal complaint, S. I-94 Service Dr.
2153 – disorderly, Belleville Rd.
2247 – animal complaint, Mile/Cedarbrook
2341 – suspicious person/vehicle, Harmony Ln.
2356 – property check, Harbour Club
2357 – property check, Harbour Club

Thursday, Oct. 7:

0056 – noise complaint, Oak Ln.
0134 – property check/Atchinson Ford, Belleville

0331 – domestic, Oak Ln.
0352 – property check/Walmart, Belleville Rd.
0402 – domestic, Oak Ln.
0908 – animal complaint, S. I-94 Service Dr. / Jeanette
1200 – assault & battery, Maple Dr.
1240 – malicious destruction of property, Haggerty
1252 – noise complaint, Westlake Cir.
1351 – threat, Haggerty Rd.
1353 – harassment call, Lighthouse Dr.
1442 – private property impound, Sumpter Rd.
1500 – larceny from auto, Victoria St.
1545 – motorist assist, Michigan Ave./Denton Rd.
1835 – property check, Belleville Rd.
1926 – property check, Belleville Rd.
2007 – property check, Belleville Rd.
2023 – threat, Lighthouse Dr.
2118 – property damage accident, Belleville Rd. / N. I-94 Service Dr.
2137 – suspicious person/vehicle, Linda Vista Ct.
2201 – overdose, McKinley St.
2330 – domestic, Hamilton St.

Friday, Oct. 8:

0116 – suspicious person/vehicle, Haggerty/Tyler
0144 – property check, Harbour Club
0200 – domestic, Arcadia Ct.
0305 – property damage accident, Van Born Rd. / Sheldon Rd.
0854 – suspicious person/vehicle, Belleville Rd.
1006 – leaving the scene of a property damage accident, EB Michigan Ave./bypass
1136 – motorist assist, Belleville Rd./Tyler Rd.
1225 – leaving the scene of a property damage accident, Ecorse Rd.
1232 – larceny from auto, S. I-94 Service Dr.
1313 – sexual assault, Hull Rd.
1327 – noise complaint, Westlake Cir.
1450 – property damage accident, Belleville Rd. / Ecorse Rd.
1603 – suspicious person/vehicle, Belleville Rd.
1624 – assist other dept., Haggerty Rd./Ecorse Rd.
1712 – trespassing, Belleville Rd.
1814 – parking complaint, Westlake Cir.
2012 – suspicious person/vehicle, Tyler/Hannan
2040 – suspicious person/vehicle, Parkwood Dr.
2139 – suspicious person/vehicle, Hull Rd.
2200 – neighbor trouble, N. Ponderosa Trl.

Saturday, Oct. 9:

0215 – 911 welfare check, S. I-94 Service Dr.
0327 – breaking & entering, Mott
0442 – assist other dept., Ozga/Menton
0845 – suicidal person, Florence Ln.
0911 – suspicious person/vehicle, Rawsonville I-94 ramp E/E-I-94
0933 – suicidal person, Lighthouse Dr.
1036 – noise complaint, Madison Dr.
1230 – assist other dept., Jackson St.
1237 – 911 welfare check, Barnwell Dr.
1323 – property damage accident, Michigan Ave.
1336 – harassment call, Tyler Rd.
1358 – 911 welfare check, Haggerty Rd.
1438 – property damage accident, Belleville Rd. / Van Born Rd.
1455 – misc. complaint, Tyler Rd.
1511 – property damage accident, Rawsonville Rd.
1514 – suspicious person/vehicle, Edwards Rd.
1605 – traffic offense, Belleville Rd.
1625 – disorderly, Belleville Rd.
1735 – property damage accident, S. I-94 Service Dr. / Denton Rd.
1807 – trespassing, N. I-94 Service Dr.
1901 – shooting, Hull Rd.
1942 – juvenile complaint, Jesses party store
2008 – welfare check, Colony Ln.
2010 – road hazard, Belleville Rd.
2017 – all 4100 MICR codes, Huron River Dr.
2047 – malicious destruction of property, S. I-94 Service Dr.
2057 – personal injury accident, W. I-94/rest area
2246 – noise complaint, Denton Rd.
2348 – suspicious person/vehicle, Belleville Rd.
2358 – assist other dept., Sheldon Rd.

Also on this week's log are 31 traffic stops, none of which were on the I-94 or I-275 freeways.

Belleville Police Dispatch Log

Sunday, Oct. 3:

0106 – noise complaint, Carmell St.
1040 – malicious destruction of property, Belle Villa Blvd.

1200 – traffic stop, Main St.
1921 – noise complaint, Carmell St.
2033 – suspicious person/vehicle, Main St./Denton
Monday, Oct. 4:
0104 – suspicious person/vehicle, E. Thornhill Ct.
1103 – intrusion alarm, Oxford Ct.
1344 – juvenile complaint, W. Columbia Ave.
1633 – traffic stop, W. Huron River Dr. / Harbour Pointe Dr.
1654 – traffic stop, E. Huron River Dr.
1738 – traffic stop, Sumpter Rd./Industrial Park
1745 – traffic stop, E. Huron River Dr.
2054 – traffic stop, High/Church
2147 – suspicious person/vehicle, Main St.

Tuesday, Oct. 5:

0911 – follow up by officer, W. Columbia Ave.
1034 – suicidal person, W. Columbia Ave.
1212 – suspicious person/vehicle, Light Tower Ct.
1237 – animal complaint, W. Wabash Ave.
1244 – abandoned auto, Harbour Pointe Dr.
1355 – traffic stop, Harbour Pte./W. Columbia
1640 – traffic stop, Angola St./E. Huron River Dr.
1710 – traffic stop, N. Liberty St./Fifth St.
1730 – traffic stop, W. Columbia Ave./Church St.
1808 – traffic stop, Savage Rd./Madelon

Wednesday, Oct. 6:

0240 – noise complaint, N. Liberty St.
1121 – disorderly, W. Columbia Ave.
1336 – juvenile complaint, W. Columbia Ave.
1337 – juvenile complaint, Owen St.
1340 – juvenile complaint, McBride
1541 – found property/child, Second St.
1649 – family trouble, Carmell St.
2120 – traffic stop, South St./E. Davis St.
2121 – suspicious person/vehicle, Harbour Pte.

Thursday, Oct. 7:

0417 – traffic stop, Main St./Third St.
1125 – welfare check, Wexford Ave.
1722 – motorist assist, South St./E. Davis St.

Friday, Oct. 8:

0625 – traffic stop, W. Huron River Dr./Harbour Pointe Dr.
1333 – trespassing, N. Liberty St.
1664 – misc. complaint, N. Liberty St.
1825 – property check, Main St.
1941 – private property/property damage accident, W. Columbia Ave.
2006 – assist citizen, Main St.
2156 – fight, W. Columbia Ave.
2208 – disorderly, Carmell St.

Saturday, Oct. 9:

0057 – assist fire dept., Belle Villa Blvd.
0128 – assist fire dept., Huron River Dr.
0506 – traffic stop, Huron River Dr./W. Columbia
0940 – property check, Main St.
0946 – traffic stop, Main St./Fourth St.
0949 – malicious destruction of property, Huron River Dr.
1128 – traffic stop, W. Huron River Dr./Harbour Pointe Dr.
1237 – assist fire dept., Carmell
1247 – assist fire dept., Wexford Ave.
1549 – traffic offense, Church St./Second St.
1705 – property check, Main St.
1742 – traffic stop, E. Huron River Dr./N. Edgemont Ave.

1753 – traffic stop, W. Huron River Dr./Harbour Pointe Dr.
1803 – traffic stop, W. Huron River Dr./Harbour Pointe Dr.
1828 – traffic offense, Charles St./Roys St.
1956 – juvenile complaint, N. Liberty St.
2224 – private property/property damage accident, W. Columbia Ave.

There were 21 traffic stops on this week's log.

Sumpter Township Police Dispatch Log

Sunday, Oct. 3:

0003 – hunting complaint, 47000 bl. Arkona Rd.
0011 – family trouble, 19000 bl. Crandell Ct.
0018 – assist other agency, 26000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
0128 – damage to property, Sumpter Rd./Willis
0838 – animal complaint, 28000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
1022 – death investigation, 20000 bl. Clark Rd.
1127 – suspicious person, E. Arizona St.
1230 – suspicious circumstance, 45000 bl. Dunn
1542 – civil matter, Wayside Dr.
1828 – 911 hang up, 48000 bl. Bemis Rd.
1851 – fire dept. assist, Rustic Ln.

2233 – suspicious vehicle, W. Arizona St.
2257 – wires down, 41000 bl. Wear Rd.

Monday, Oct. 4:

0512 – trespassing complaint, 8100 bl. Rawsonville Rd.
0800 – suspicious person, 8200 bl. Rawsonville
1019 – fire dept. assist, 44000 bl. Judd Rd.
1124 – civil matter, 39000 bl. Willis Rd.
1328 – assist other agency, 40000 bl. Willow Rd.
1418 – noise complaint, 21000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
1433 – juvenile complaint, Second St.
1511 – follow-up investigation, 8100 bl. Rawsonville Rd.
1533 – family trouble, Delaware St.
1853 – fire dept. assist, 43000 bl. Willow Rd.
2033 – civil matter, 23000 bl. Bohn Rd.
2154 – civil matter, 23000 bl. Bohn Rd.
2213 – death investigation, 49000 bl. Collyer Ct.

Tuesday, Oct. 5:

0758 – alarm, 28000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
0810 – flee & elude police, Redwood St.
0859 – alarm, 8200 bl. Rawsonville Rd.
0920 – health & safety violation, 47000 bl. Wear
0932 – follow-up investigation, 47000 bl. Wear
1356 – follow-up investigation, 23000 bl. Sumpter
1442 – animal complaint, 41000 bl. Willis Rd.
1508 – animal complaint, 20000 bl. Haggerty Rd.
1822 – 911 hang up, 48000 bl. Willis Rd.

Wednesday, Oct. 6:

0040 – harassment complaint, Stonecrest Dr.
0047 – noise complaint, California St.
0143 – suspicious vehicle, Karr Rd./Judd Rd.
0909 – assist citizen, 46000 bl. Willow Rd.
0943 – suspicious circumstance, 23000 bl. Carleton West Rd.
0957 – fire dept. assist, 20000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
1031 – 911 hang up, Mulberry Dr.
1041 – fire dept. assist, Montana St.
1041 – fire dept. assist, 45000 Willis Rd.
1049 – suspicious circumstance, Redwood St.
1050 – fire dept. assist, 48000 bl. Wear Rd.
1517 – civil matter, 43000 bl. Harris Rd.
1934 – fire dept. assist, 23000 bl. Clark Rd.

Thursday, Oct. 7:

0323 – fire dept. assist, 19000 bl. Lohr Rd.
1205 – suspicious vehicle, 42000 bl. Judd Rd.
1216 – fire dept. assist, 41000 bl. Willis Rd.
1242 – suspicious circumstance, Rustic Ln.
1715 – 911 hang up, 44000 bl. Dunn Rd.
1735 – follow-up investigation, out of township
1843 – 911 hang up, 44000 bl. Clay Rd.
2102 – welfare check, 18000 bl. Martinsville Rd.
2254 – fire dept. assist, 44000 bl. Judd Rd.

Friday, Oct. 8:

0015 – suspicious vehicle, 19000 bl. Haggerty
0753 – family trouble, Rustic Ln.
1132 – fire dept. assist, 44000 bl. Dunn Rd.
1254 – death investigation, 23000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
1542 – assist citizen, 20000 bl. Sherwood Rd.
1758 – property damage accident, 28000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
1907 – suspicious vehicle, 5600 bl. Oakville Waltz
1922 – family trouble, Martinsville/Willow
2046 – welfare check, 26000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
2132 – suspicious person, 24000 bl. Sherwood Rd.

Saturday, Oct. 9:

0007 – animal complaint, Karr Rd./Willis Rd.
0016 – suspicious circumstance, 44000 bl. Wear
0610 – family trouble, 18000 bl. Martinsville Rd.
0807 – welfare check, 43000 bl. Willis Rd.
0828 – fire dept. assist, Hampshire Dr.
1200 – assist other agency, 13000 out of township
1206 – fire dept. assist, 47000 bl. Bemis Rd.
1336 – fire dept. assist, 46000 bl. Kozma Rd.
1608 – 911 hang up, 24000 bl. Carleton West Rd.
1621 – suspicious vehicle, Willis Rd./Wilmot Rd.
1818 – operating while intoxicated arrest, Clark Rd. / Willow Rd.

1924 – suspicious vehicle, 5600 bl. Oakville Waltz
2043 – fire dept. assist, 42000 bl. Willis Rd.
2206 – assist other agency, 24000 bl. Haggerty Rd.
2254 – family trouble, 21000 bl. Fenster Dr.

Also on this week's log are 67 patrol checks, 22 traffic stops, and six misc. details.

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More Letters

Volunteers paint to help Guiding Harbor

To the editor:

You might have noticed a change to the administration building of Guiding Harbor on 525 E. Huron River Dr. This building houses our Foster Care, Adoption and Independent Living Programs as well as the agency leadership. After far too long, we had the exterior of our building painted.

The generous volunteers from Ally Financial, coordinated by Detroit Women chapter of Ally Gives Back, spent a sunny day in September helping us to paint the building. The green exterior walls have been replaced with a warm beige and dark trim that gives the building the fresh look it needed.

Of course, our business sign on the corner of Huron River Drive and Potter Drive is still surrounded by the beautiful perennials

that the Belleville Garden Club planted and still maintain for us. We might not be the prettiest building in town, but things are looking a lot better.

What's next? The Guiding Harbor auction, A Magical Masquerade, is being held on Nov. 20 at the Marriott Detroit Livonia. Tickets include dinner, dessert, and open bar as well as live entertainment by comedic magician Cameron Zvara. Early bird tickets are still available for \$70 each or a table for \$520. After Oct. 20 ticket prices go up, so get yours now!

This is a great opportunity for a fun night out and for you to support Guiding Harbor and our programs that serve Michigan foster children and their families. All proceeds from the event go directly to the programs and families of Guiding Harbor.

For more information visit: <https://one.bidpal.net/ghmagic2021/welcome> or at the Guiding Harbor website <http://guidingharbor.org>

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LARGE 6+ ACRES. Large and updated Home with Premium Lafada Kitchen, Hardwood Floors, Granite, Ceramic and Quarry Tile Baths. 5 Bedrooms, 3 1/2 Baths, New Roof-2020 and 90+ Furnace. 2 1/2 car Garage. \$450,000

10 ACRES - RIVERFRONT



16355 HAGGERTY, VAN BUREN

1,000 OF RIVERFRONT PROPERTY with Great Steelhead Fishing 4 Bedrooms, 2 Baths Upgraded Brick Ranch with 2,300+ Square Feet on 10 Beautiful Acres that backs right up to Lower Huron Metro Park. Secluded Privacy with Outbuildings and Up to 6 Horses! \$650,000

FOR SALE OR LEASE



500E HURON RIVER DR, BELLEVILLE
HIGHEST QUALITY BRICK COMMERCIAL BUILDING IN THE CITY OF BELLEVILLE. Former Florist, Bakery and Coffee House. FINE DESIGN! For Sale at \$699,500 or Lease at \$3,900. Month Double Net.

CHURCH BUILDING



11338 OZGA, ROMULUS
NEW \$100,000 Roof SANCTUARY, CHAPEL, CLASSROOMS, DINING HALL, GYM, HUGE SIZE AND OPPORTUNITY. Building is in the process of renovation now selling in you finish condition. 1.97 Acre Parcel \$349,000

5 BEDROOMS 1.8 ACRES



14210 MORTENVIEW, TAYLOR

A TRIBUTE TO QUALITY - Custom Built Brick Colonial Featuring 5 Large Bedrooms, 2 Full Baths, Formal Dining Room, Hardwood Floors, Sunroom, 2 Fireplaces, New Wallside Windows. Basement 1.82 Acres \$285,000

WARREN CONDO



5152 HAWKSEYE TRACE, WARREN

A SHOW OFFS DREAM! Upgraded and Like New 2 Bedroom 3 Bath Condo. Premium Kitchen with Granite Counter Tops, Finished Basement, Premium \$14,000 Deck, Preferred Lot Location. Immediate Occupancy \$340,000

5+ ACRES - POLE BARN



7785 CHERRY HILL, SUPERIOR TWP

NATURE'S PALETTE of Colors Enhances this impressive 4 Bedroom Colonial with Country Kitchen, Large Living Room, Big Bath and Full Basement. 5+ Acres with 3 1/2 Car Garage, 30X40 Pole Barn and Pond. \$350,000.

THREE PARCELS A MOST BEAUTIFUL PROPERTY 20+ ACRES WEAR RD \$165,000

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44194 ROBSON, VAN BUREN .81 AC \$44,000

00000 SUMPTER 243X687 3.63 AC \$40,000

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